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## BOARD OF EDUCATION.

CONSIDERS PLANS FOR REMODELLING OLD HIGH SCHOOL.

Board of Estimate Asked to Grant \$55,000 for School Purposes - New Teachers Appointed - Statement by Superintendent Morris.

The remodelling of the present High School building was discussed at a meeting of the Board of Education Monday night. A plan of that work, prepared by Architect Charles G. Jones, was submitted by Charles W. Martin, chairman of the building committee of the board, and the estimate of the cost was between fifteen and twenty thousand dollars.

The plan submitted met with the approval of the members of the board, but before taking decisive action it was determined to have the building committee have definite plans and specifications prepared, to be considered at the next meeting of the board, and at the same time submit the matter to the Board of Estimate so that if it was decided to make the improvement the money needed could be procured by increasing the proposed issue of bonds.

A resolution was adopted requesting the Board of Estimate to agree to an appropriation of \$58,000 for school purposes for the current year. Of the \$8,000 proposed \$9,500 is designed for remodelling, repairing and furnishing, \$5,000 for manual training and \$43,500 for current expenses. The total is an increase of \$6,000 over last year.

A proposal to purchase a motor-driven circular saw and joiner for the manual training department led to considerable discussion as to the liability for accidents, and action on the proposal was deferred.

Concerning the circular saw, William E. Le Quay, the manual training teacher, told the board that the proposed apparatus would be up to date and well protected from possible danger to the pupils whom he had occasion to inspect.

Mr. Le Quay further stated that the saw would be operated by him and his assistants to aid the pupils. The danger feature of the saw was all that the board members considered in the matter and as to what would be the outcome should a boy lose a hand or finger.

The following were appointed teachers: Misses Anne M. Smith, Emily Benoit, Edith M. Albion and Stella Harris. Miss Elizabeth Jenner, who has been a teacher of a special class, was appointed a regular teacher and Miss Maude L. Tuller was named as Miss Jenner's successor.

Miss Mabel C. Howard was transferred to the High School to take up the work of the eighth grade to be assembled there.

The building committee was empowered to have the flagpoles on school property painted.

Superintendent of Schools George Morris submitted the following statement to the board:

The large increase in the enrollment of pupils in our schools shown by comparing the number enrolled at the end of February, 1912, with the enrollment of the corresponding month of last year, and which is 201, indicates the necessity of calling your attention to the fact that we are again confronted by the need of considering additional accommodations for pupils.

"At the present time we have in the six elementary school buildings - Berkeley, Brookside, Center, Brookdale, Fairview and Watessing 72 finished classrooms, and the sum total of rooms occupied by children in these six buildings is 72. In addition to these there are classes in rented rooms in what is known as the Silver Lake school. To the 72 rooms mentioned above, another room at Berkeley and one at Watessing may be added with a reasonably small outlay for finishing and furnishing. The Brookdale building also has available space for finishing four more rooms, but these, because of their location, cannot be counted upon to help solve the problem as it presents itself in connection with the six other schools.

"When school opens in September, the enrollment of High School pupils, together with the eighth grade pupils to be transferred, will practically fill the new building. The increase in enrollment for February, 1911, over the enrollment for the corresponding month for 1910, was 214, and as indicated above the increase for February, 1912, over February, 1911, is 201. These numbers are sufficient to make five good-sized classes. If this growth continues to be the same size each year, it will be readily seen that the rooms made vacant by transferring the eighth grades to the High School building in September, will be filled by this increase, so that at the end of next year we will probably have every room available in the town proper in use. Carrying this reasoning one step further, we will find the year beginning September, 1913, starting with four or five classes in addition to the four classes now accommodated in rented quarters at Silver Lake without any rooms in which to

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"In addition to these data, if the High School enrollment increases next year in the same ratio as it has this year, there will scarcely be room for both the High School pupils and the eighth grades in the new High School building a year from next September.

"These facts are respectfully submitted with the feeling that it is the duty of the superintendent to present to the members of the Board of Education all the information that he commands concerning increasing in school population."

### The Crucifixion.

In view of the fact that Stainer's famous oratorio, "The Crucifixion," is to be sung next Friday night in Westminster Church, a few facts concerning the composer may be of interest. Stainer was born in 1840 his father was a parish schoolmaster and knew enough of music to teach the boy the rudiments of the art, so that when, at the age of seven, he entered the choir of St. Paul's, London, he could read music well and play the organ. He remained in St. Paul's nine years, and often took the organ in emergencies. At twenty he entered Magdalen College, Oxford, and was the next year appointed university organist.

Within the next few years he took the degree of B.A., M.S., D. and M.A. In 1872 he was appointed organist of St. Paul's Cathedral, where he raised the standard of choral music to something very near perfection. His principal compositions include four oratorios: "Gideon," 1865; "The Daughters of Jairus," 1873; "St. Mary Magdalen," 1878; "Crucifixion," 1887; and many anthems, "Madrigals," etc.

Owing to failing eyesight he retired from St. Paul's in 1888, and was knighted the same year. He made many contributions to the literature of music, and was a man of wide influence in his profession. He died at Verona, Italy, on the 31st day of March, 1901.

### Elks' Ladies' Nights.

The Bloomfield Lodge of Elks will hold a ladies' night on Monday evening, April 8, 1912, in Central Hall, Bloomfield. This entertainment is given for the ladies and friends of Elks at least once each season, and is increasing in popularity every season.

Those who attend the receptions given by this lodge are always on the alert for an invitation to the next one. The event this year has been planned very carefully, and everything possible has been done to insure an evening full of enjoyment and pleasure.

The programme will include soprano, contralto, tenor and baritone solos, selections by a male quartette, violin and piano solos, Sandy McNabb in imitation of Harry Lauder, and twenty or more dances. A collation will be served during the evening by a caterer of high repute. The hall will be arranged to resemble, as nearly as may be, a ballroom in a private residence, in order that a homelike feeling may prevail.

The Committee in charge is composed of Raymond F. Davis, Frank L. Fisher, J. Gilbert Brady and Charles T. Hallinan.

Guests from Newark, East Orange, Orange, Montclair, New York, Hoboken, Jersey City and Englewood lodges will attend.

### Builder Missing.

A notice of a writ of attachment issued by Justice of the Peace George M. Cadmus against Frederick Twidle, a carpenter and builder, as an absconding debtor, has revealed the fact that the man has been missing since March 8.

Twidle left behind him a wife and two children. Mrs. Twidle declared yesterday she had no knowledge as to her husband's whereabouts.

The notice of the writ against Twidle was issued at the instance of Ogden & Cadmus, dealers in masons' materials.

Before going away, Twidle, it is said, collected a third payment of \$1,200 from Edward E. Bowne on three houses Twidle was building in Hazelwood road.

The missing man, it is believed, has departed for South Africa, where at one time he lived.

It is believed the man was worried over a suit that had been instituted, it is said, against him by a former employee under the employer's liability act.

### Pioneer Iceman Dead.

Wallace M. Soverel, one of the

pioneer ice dealers in the Oranges, and

a member of one of the oldest families

in the Duddington section of East Orange, died Wednesday night at his home,

600 Springdale avenue. His death fol-

lowed a week's illness and was caused

by heart disease superinduced by acute

indigestion. Three years ago Mr.

Soverel suffered an attack of malignant

erysipelas and never fully recovered his

health.

### Joint Committee Meets To-night.

Mayor William Hauser is chairman

of the joint committee of members of

the Town Council and Health Board

respectively of this town, Belleville, and

Nutley that was organized to oppose the

sewage disposal scheme of Mayor Hinck

of Montclair, and the mayor has called

a meeting of that committee to be held

in Nutley to-night, to take further

action in fighting Mayor Hinck's pro-

ject.

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## CENTENARY MEETING.

IN HONOR OF THE TOWN'S ONE HUNDREDTH ANNIVERSARY.

The Old First Church the Scene of

a Large and Enthusiastic Gathering

Saturday Night - Judge Fort

Made a Stirring Address - Good

Send-off for Centennial Week.

## BEARD BILL VETOED.

GOVERNOR WILSON'S REASON FOR VETO-

ING THE BILL.

Says the Issue Involved Was a Mat-

ter for State Board of Health -

Large Attendance at Governor's

Hearing - Plainfield Man Sprang a

Trump Card.

Governor Wilson on Wednesday

vetoed the Beard bill for the prevention

of the locating and operating an Im-

hoff sewage disposal plant in this town

and Belleville for the benefit of Mont-

clair and East Orange.

The governor, in his veto message,

made the following statement:

"A very careful consideration of this

bill convinces me that it is based upon

a most unsafe and unscientific principle.

"The question of sewage affects whole

sections of the State. It cannot be

dealt with community by community

without regard to the topography of the

country, the method and closeness of

its settlement or the natural facilities

for disposing of sewage.

"Political divisions are in no sense

natural divisions when this most difficult

matter is to be handled. To adopt

the principle of this bill would be to

embarrass engineering undertakings

connected with the public health in the

most serious way, and in some instances

might render them impossible.

"Any careful consideration of the

great urban areas of the northern part

of the State will convince a careful

student of this subject, that those areas

must be studied as a whole and dealt

with as wholes, and that it is not safe

to put the settlement of neighborhood

questions with regard to drainage in the

hands of any authorities having a smaller

jurisdiction than the State itself.

"It would seem that the present

powers of the State Board of Health

are sufficient to safeguard the several

political divisions of the State against

the deleterious influences resulting from

the sewage disposal within their limits,

and if the board has not now powers

sufficiently comprehensive to accomplish

this object, such powers should certainly

be conferred upon it, rather than allow

questions of drainage to be settled by

neighborhood preferences and jealousies,

instead of by the scientific rules of

sanitary engineering.

"I think the establishment of the prin-

ciple involved in this bill would be a

most unsafe experiment."

Governor Wilson's veto of the Beard

bill on Wednesday followed a largely

attended hearing on the bill before the

governor on Tuesday afternoon. The

large majority of those present at the

hearing were in favor of the bill. The

addresses made by those favoring the

bill were practically a repetition of the